

Edgefield Advertiser.

Oldest Newspaper In South Carolina

VOL. 81

EDGEFIELD, S. C., WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1916

NO. 15

JOHNSTON LETTER.

Memorial Day Observed. Cotton Burned. U. D. C. Met. Gov. Manning Visited High School.

Throughout the south on last Wednesday, May 10, flowers smiled and flags fluttered afresh on the graves of the men who fought and died for principle, a principle which they know they won, so there can be no Lost Cause, as some maintain.

There is no day so dedicated to sentiment as this one, and sentiment is a great power, the spirit of the day is a force which stimulates us to discharge the duties we owe to civilization. Each year anew, Memorial Day bids us consecrate ourselves to the fulfillment of the charge our fathers laid upon us; it bids us remember and resolve to keep the faith which our fathers died to prove. And so on this day the Mary Ann Buie chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, met and observed the day fittingly, and appropriate exercises were held in the high school auditorium. The pupils of the high school assembled at the Confederate monument and gathering up the garlands marched to the auditorium. The stage was attractive in many Confederate flags and red and white flowers. After inspiring songs and prayer Prof. W. F. Scott introduced the speaker of the day, Dr. Pendleton Jones of Edgefield, doing this in a very happy manner. He said that when at college he well recalled a Memorial day exercise and the speaker, whose words had so impressed him, and this man was the father of the speaker whom he knew would thrill and interest the audience also. Dr. Jones' address was considered the finest ever given on any such previous occasion and he was listened to with rapt attention. There were points of history as told by him, that were exceedingly interesting.

When he concluded he was presented with a large basket of red and white sweet peas, by Miss Jessie Edwards, president of children's chapter. After the roll call of the departed veterans the garlands were gathered up by the children and all marched to Mt. of Olives cemetery where the veterans graves were decorated.

What might have resulted in a most disastrous fire began here at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, caused from sparks of a shifting freight. The freight depot and ware house occupy a central location on Main street and between the two was a large wooden platform containing 150 bales of cotton. The sparks ignited the cotton and owing to the long drought it burned quickly. The town has no water works, hence there was no other way to extinguish the fire than to work by hand and the men fought the fire heroically, but soon used up the emergency barrels of water, so a water brigade was formed. The high school was dismissed for a period and the boys all rushed to the aid and assisted greatly. The wooden freight depot was miraculously saved, but the brick ware house was not in so much danger. This contained hundred of bales of cotton.

The last meeting of the W. C. T. U., was held with Mrs. M. A. Huie and during the business conducted by the president, Mrs. T. R. Denney, several matters were discussed and arranged for. The union will, as in the past, co-operate with the other unions of this vicinity in observing Jennie Cassedy's birthday. The annual visit will be made to the County home with a picnic dinner and a little play by eight girls concerning flowers will be given for the benefit of the inmates of the home, this to be had in their chapel. A committee was appointed for the study manual on alcohol, this to be taken up September 1st. The Y. P. B. was discussed and it was hoped that the organization would be revived and steps were to be taken to this effect. The subject for the meeting was "The mother's meeting," and a special prayer was made by Mrs. Olin Eidsen for the mothers, and blessings on the children. Mrs. M. A. Huie read a splendid paper, "A mother's opportunity," and Miss Zena Payne also read a paper, "When you open your purse remember." Mrs. James White

(Continued on Fifth Page.)

Memorial Day Observed in Edgefield.

Through the efforts of the members of the Edgefield chapter, U. D. C., Memorial day has been fittingly observed Wednesday, May 10. All of the Confederate veterans of the county were invited to be guests of the chapter and dinner was served in their honor in the dining room of the Baptist church. There were about 30 veterans present and they enjoyed the hospitality of the patriotic women.

Immediately after the dinner was served all gathered about a platform that had been erected in the cemetery near the monument to the unknown Confederate dead. A programme which had been carefully arranged under the direction of Mrs. R. A. Marsh, the president of the chapter, was carried out.

After the singing of several patriotic selections the master of ceremonies, B. E. Nicholson, presented Haddon Johnson, a young attorney of the Aiken bar, as the orator of the occasion. Mr. Johnson selected as his subject "Jefferson Davis, America's Man of Destiny." Mr. Johnson reviewed the career of Mr. Davis pointing out the fact that historians had failed to give him his rightful place in history. He alone bore bravely and well the responsibility of the government of the new nation and that while he was not as conspicuous as the Confederate military leaders yet he is entitled to more honor than he has been accorded. Mr. Johnson is a finished orator and his superb eloquence held the close attention of his hearers for nearly one hour.

A collection was taken for the Shiloh monument fund. The chapter handed Mr. Johnson the amount of expenses he incurred in coming to Edgefield and he very graciously donated the money to the Shiloh monument fund.

At the close of the exercises the graves of the Confederate soldiers in the cemetery and the monument on the public square were decorated.

Death of Mrs. E. W. Samuel.

Mrs. E. W. Samuel died at her home Wednesday morning. For many months she has been in declining health. Some time ago she was taken to a hospital in Augusta for special treatment but failed to be permanently relieved. About a week ago she became much worse, failing to respond to medical treatment. Mrs. Samuel was reared in Keysville, Ga., but came to Edgefield about 19 years ago to make her home, endeavoring herself to her new friends. She was a member of the Methodist church and a devout Christian woman. The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, the Rev. A. L. Gunter officiating. The interment took place in the village cemetery. Besides her husband, Mrs. Samuel leaves a son about 12 years of age and a daughter eight years old.

Edgefield School Letter.

The McDuffie literary society was called to order by the president Friday afternoon, May 12. The first number on the program was current events, Edith Ouzts. Lottie Deal read a very interesting selection which was followed by a beautiful piano solo by Margaret May. The next number was the debate. Resolved, "That the punitive expedition into Mexico is a mistake." Affirmative, Willie Peak. Jeanie Simkins. Negative, Brooke Jones, Lydia Brunson. The papers on both sides were splendid and when the house was thrown open for discussion several of the members made excellent impromptu speeches on the subject. Fred Mays, Genevieve Norris and Mr. Lyon were appointed to act as judges and their decision was rendered in favor of the negative. After the report of critic the society adjourned.

We were delighted to have Miss Mamie Broadwater from Johnston spend Monday with us.

School Correspondent.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

HARDY'S HAPPENINGS.

Unique Signs Over Door. Trip to Augusta. Memorial Service at Sweetwater Sunday.

Some one asked where Hardy's was? Hardy's church is in the same place it has been for nearly a hundred years, but this Hardy's moves about all day and almost all night. I often remind myself of the story told of a card on a Dago's store. "We never sleep." Next door on a Chinaman's door another card appeared. "Me wakie too." So I am wakie so much I feel as though I never sleep.

Well as I said this Hardy's moves about. Went to Augusta last Wednesday to see the parade, but as it was not to start until half past six in the afternoon, I had to miss it as that would have put me in the night with three children all asleep, and that would never do. Mr. Geo. Wright and Mrs. McCarty carried their children down and staid over to see the parade and pronounced it fine. Thought sure I would see the one on Friday but the hour appointed was too late. Really it seems as though they want to bar the country people out by waiting until so late in the afternoon to start. While on Broad street we saw that gracious gentleman, Mr. Tom Rainsford and were sorry to learn of his lovely lady's recent illness from gripe. Hope she may soon be over the effects of it.

It is useless for me to undertake to say anything about the memorial services at Sweetwater. Mr. J. L. Mims was there and can give a much better account of it than I could. But then we each one have our own view point of everything. My, how we all enjoyed that day! Meeting so many dear friends and remembering those who have gone and been laid to rest out at the Sweetwater cemetery. There were people there from far and near. The governor from Columbia, Mr. Jim Horn and wife from Ridge Spring, Misses Mundy came with them from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Horn. They were going home with Mr. and Mrs. John Mundy. Miss Sallie Hammond from Augusta, whom we all love to have with us for she is a dear, sweet jolly soul. Miss May Roper of North Augusta, these two sweet girls came with their cousins Mr. Willie and Miss Lucile Burkhalter. Several from Augusta, Ga., and North Augusta. Trenton was represented by Mrs. Dorian Swearingen and family, Mrs. Roper Day, Mrs. Claud Wertz from Columbia, Messrs. J. L. Mims, Orlando Shepard and B. E. Nicholson and many others from Edgefield. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Adams, Mrs. Laura Bunch and Mrs. Lona Bunch came down from Clark's Hill. All of these dear people we were so glad to see and have with us. And speaking of Clark's Hill brings back the delightful time we enjoyed with those hospitable people last August at the W. M. U. which also brings to mind our beloved treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Tompkins. We were so shocked and grieved to learn of her sad death, last Wednesday. She was such a sweet, retiring lady. Her timidity impressed me very much. Sorry to learn of Mrs. Samuel's death also.

Returning to the subject of Sweetwater memorial day. It was quite touching when Mr. John Matbis was presented with three chairs as the oldest deacon and for his helpfulness in every way, with things pertaining to church. He is a noble old gentleman, who is far down the hill of life, yet always cheerful.

We were sorry to hear of Mrs. Theresa Adams' indisposition. Hope she may soon be stronger, also Mrs. Sallie Bunch being too feeble to attend the services. She always loved to be at such places and she was very much disappointed to have to give it up when the day came. Hope when it rains she may feel better.

Hardy's.

How To Give Quinine To Children. FERRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2 ounce original package. The name FERRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

We were sorry to hear of Mrs. Theresa Adams' indisposition. Hope she may soon be stronger, also Mrs. Sallie Bunch being too feeble to attend the services. She always loved to be at such places and she was very much disappointed to have to give it up when the day came. Hope when it rains she may feel better.

Hardy's.

How To Give Quinine To Children.

FERRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2 ounce original package. The name FERRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

RED HILL SCHOOL.

Closed a Satisfactory Session With Picnic. Governor Manning and Others Delivered Addresses.

Friday last was a Red Letter Day for Red Hill. The picnic given at the close of the close of the school enabled a great throng to come together for a day of unusual pleasure under the best possible influences. The modern and commodious, two-story school building which has been erected at Red Hill is a credit to the community. All honor to a people who have accomplished what the good people of Red Hill have. In many respects it is an ideal community. They have a large well-equipped lodge hall in which the Masons and Woodmen hold their regular meetings. The church is one of the largest in the county. The pastor occupies "Rose Cottage" over on the hill, but little more than a stone's throw from the church. Not far away is the store of Mr. Ernest Quarles which enables the people to supply their needs practically at home.

The attendance was very large, there being probably 1,500 people present. The announcement that Governor Richard I. Manning would be present and deliver an address had much to do with the large attendance. The people first assembled in the school auditorium but as this could not accommodate more than one-third of the people all repaired to the large church near by.

The first speaker was County Superintendent of Education W. W. Faller who has rendered great assistance to the Red Hill people in all they have undertaken for the upbuilding of their school. In presenting him to the audience, Rev. J. T. Littlejohn thanked him for his untiring efforts in behalf of the Red Hill school. Mr. Faller commended the people of this progressive community upon the erection of the modern school building, stating that it is a wise investment that will bring large returns for many years to come.

The second speaker was County Demonstration Agent P. N. Lott who spoke briefly of the importance of soil building through the leguminous crops. He stated that nature has provided 1,600 plants that extract nitrogen, the most expensive element of plant food, from the atmosphere and store it in the soil. Mr. Lott said a heavy sod of burr clover or vetch turned under was equal to 600 pounds of nitrogen. Owing to the limited time allotted Mr. Lott, he could only "touch the high places" of his work in the county.

The next and eclipsing address of the occasion was delivered by Governor Richard I. Manning, who appeared at his best Friday. Governor Manning selected education as his theme for this occasion, and while it was an old subject he treated it in such a practical way as to make every statement of intense interest to the large audience.

Governor Manning stressed the importance of educating our entire citizenship because each man is a sovereign. His vote determines who shall fill public office and each one has a part in fixing the policy of the government. The hope of the State depends upon the wiping out of illiteracy. He spoke of the success of the night schools in Greenville county in which 1,000 pupils, practically all adults, are enrolled. He referred to the increasing wealth of the people of the State, citing government figures to show that within the past decade farm products have so increased in value as to raise South Carolina from the 24th to the 13th State in the value of farm produce.

Governor Manning paid a beautiful tribute to the school teachers of South Carolina and referred to the act introduced at the last session of the legislature looking to a higher standard among teachers, stating that counties which complied with the provisions of the act could arrange for a special course for teachers of the high school. He also referred to the act which provides for the consolidation of schools and the employment of a teacher of agriculture. The Torrens system, Governor Manning said, is the first step to rural credit which will pre-

(Continued on Fourth Page.)

Lott School Closed Profitable Session.

Located on an eminence overlooking the old homestead of the lamented Dr. W. H. Timmerman, which yet remains in the family, stands the Lott school building. It is in the centre of a well-nigh ideal rural community. Probably nowhere in the county will one find a more densely populated section. We mean one that is composed of a greater number of small, thrifty farmers. Standing upon the porch of the school building, one can count nearly a dozen farm houses that are well-painted and attractively envired. And then advancing to the limit of your circle of vision you can count probably nearly another dozen of these attractive homes that lie beyond.

From these homes during the past session 75 bright and very promising children gathered in the Lott school every morning. They possess normal minds and robust bodies, bodies made strong by outdoor exercise and the wholesome, home-grown food, the kind that requires no pure-food-law guarantee. (Of this fact we had tangible evidence at the dinner hour.)

These bright sweet children have been taught for several years by two as good teachers as can be found in any rural school in the state. We refer to Prof. Wise and Miss Daisy Lyon, both Edgefield county products, no other hall-mark than "Edgefield" being needed to establish their sterling worth. These two educators have pleased pupils, patrons and people so well that they are being urged to accept the school another term. Their decisions have not yet been announced.

The picnic which was given by the patrons of the school Saturday proved to be an oasis for the children, an opportunity for the politicians, an outing for the newspaper folk and a day of all-round pleasure for the neighborhood. Soon after the people arrived Mr. P. N. Lott, acting as master of ceremonies, introduced some of the candidates from the porch of the school building. The following made brief speeches: J. W. Cox, a candidate for solicitor, B. E. Nicholson and M. P. Wells, candidates for the senate, and Mr. J. L. Walker, a candidate for re-election to the house. Capt. N. G. Evans was present and also responded to the request to speak.

These orations were followed by what was easily the most pleasing feature of the day—the feast that was spread down under the oaks. The good women of this community, with the aid of the men, who are evidently good providers, served a dinner fit for kings. We have not seen such a dinner before in a long while. After every appetite was satisfied more was restored to the baskets, uncarved and untouched, than was consumed.

After dinner the people gathered in small groups under the trees and engaged in pleasant conversation. Surely it is wholesome and helpful for a community to come together annually in this manner. It renews old ties of friendship and forms new ones as well. We raise our hat very high to the patrons of the Lott school and to the good people of the community.

Edgefield Cotton Mill Sold.

Greenville, S. C., May 11.—Directors and stockholders of the Parker Cotton Mills Company in a meeting here to-day decided to sell the eight mills comprising the Hampton group, one of the subsidiaries of the Parker Company for a sum something under \$3,000,000. Lockwood, Greene & Co., New York, are the purchasers. The eight mills including Granby, Olympia, Richland and Capital City, of Columbia; Wylie of Chester, Pine Creek of Camden, Beaver Dam of Edgefield and Fairfield of Winnsboro, have a spindleage of approximately 375,000. The price is a little under \$10 the spindle. The other two subsidiaries of the Parker Mills, namely Victor and Monahan, comprised of eight up-State mills, will be re-organized soon. The Hampton group will be delivered to the purchasers June 26.

Creditors of the Parker Cotton Mills Company, as a result of the sale, will receive 70 per cent of their debts in cash and 30 per cent in preferred stock.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Second Annual Memorial Service Held at Sweetwater Church. Governor Manning Spoke.

Encouraged by the success of the beautiful memorial service of a year ago and the good results attributable to that occasion, Rev. E. W. Reynolds, the zealous pastor, and his loyal co-workers of Sweetwater church arranged for a second memorial service, which was held last Sunday. As positive proof that the memorial of 1915 met with the hearty approval of the people of the Sweetwater and adjacent communities, the attendance was almost double that of last year.

On Saturday the members of the cemetery association and others who have loved ones buried in this hallowed enclosure came together and placed flowers upon the graves and otherwise improved the appearance of God's acre. As we walked through the cemetery, reading the well-deserved epitaphs of choice spirits who in the past were dynamic forces in vitalizing and energizing the Sweetwater and adjoining communities we observed that many marble slabs and granite shafts bore names that deserve to be written high on the pages of the religious and secular history of Edgefield county.

Early in the forenoon the people gathered from far and near, apparently vying with each other in their eagerness to meet and greet Governor Manning, who accepted an invitation from the pastor to be present and deliver an address. About 11 o'clock all assembled in the church which was by this time practically filled. Mr. Reynolds announced that, owing to the enforced departure of Gov. Manning by noon, the order of exercise had to be reversed. Departing from the usual order or custom, that of reserving the best for the last, the best, the governor's address, had to be given first place. He thereupon requested Hon. B. E. Nicholson to introduce the governor, which he did with characteristic ease and grace.

Governor Manning gave expression to his appreciation of the invitation to meet with the people of this historic old church, stating that it carried him back to the time when, as a boy reared in the country, he rode seven miles to church every Sunday. He spoke at some length of the fundamental law which defines our duty to God and to our neighbor. He referred to the remarkable change of public sentiment in every State, and particularly with reference to liquor. Within the past few months he has attended banquets in Greenville and Charleston and no intoxicating liquors of any kind were served. He stated that there are many manifestations that our people are improving. He commended the efforts of those who are behind the movement to erect a woman's building in Columbia which is to be a home for young women who fill various positions and would without such a home be forced to live in boarding houses subject to many temptations.

Gov. Manning said the problem of education is the problem of the betterment of the race. He advocated vocational training in order to make our citizens more efficient. He deplored the fact that there is prevalent a tendency to break up home-life. His admirable address was altogether suited to a church assemblage and was well received. Immediately after closing his address Governor Manning motored to Warrentonville to catch the "Augusta Special" for Columbia in order to fill another engagement late in the afternoon.

Following the custom established last year, a collection was taken for the memorial fund, which amounted to \$20.00.

A very beautiful feature of the morning was the presentation of three massive mahogany chairs to Deacon John Mathews as an expression of appreciation of the faithful service which he has rendered the church and community throughout his long life. He is now 82 years of age, and has been a deacon of the church for 50 years. The chairs are to remain in the church as a

(Continued on Fourth Page.)